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MANY FIREMEN ARE KILLED

THEY WERE CRUSHED TO DEATH
UNDER THE FALLING WALLS.At Last Accounts Nine Men Are Known to
be Dead and There Are Some Doubts in
the Ruins—Big Fire in San Francisco
Creates Great Havoc and Possible Loss of
Life.Minneapolis, Minn., June 27.—Fire
broke out at 11 o'clock to-night in the
five story building at 240 and 242 First
the half-mile handicap, starting from
Brothers, wholesale crockery. In half
an hour after the firemen reached the
scene the roof gave way, and two min-
utes later a part of the side wall fell,
crushing beneath it a group of firemen
in the alleyway. Six men were taken
out dead and many others were injured.
The following dead men were identi-
fied: John Hoy, John Hornick, Wallace
Richardson.Other bodies are supposed to be in the
ruins. The loss is \$300,000, with large insur-
ance.Among those injured are Ed Thielan,
John Gray and Captain Caldwell.
Later—The total number of dead is
now believed to be nine. Thielan died
while being taken to the hospital, and
there are some doubts in the ruins. Many
spectators were injured by flying em-
bers and bricks.

ANOTHER BIG FIRE.

One of the Worst Fires in Many Years
Visited San Francisco.San Francisco, June 27.—The worst
fire San Francisco has had in over
thirty years started shortly before 6
o'clock to-night in the rear of the San
Francisco box factory, located at Fifth
and Harrison streets. Before the de-
partment reached the ground the
flames were sweeping through a num-
ber of frame buildings on Fourth street,
which backed into the box factory and
has leaped across the street to the
Southern Pacific hay barns. The second
alarm was turned in only to be
followed by a third and fourth in rapid
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had connected their lines it was seen
the fire was entirely beyond control.
Word was telegraphed across the bay to
Oakland and Alameda for assistance.
The sister cities quickly responded with
two engines each. These were located
along the water front and used as
pumps to supply water from the bay. The
Southern Pacific pumps had lines of
hose connected and did good service
in bringing salt water to supply the fast
weakening fresh water mains. A
strong wind was blowing from the west
and fanned the flames across the
broad streets, sweeping everything in its
path.Shortly after the second alarm was
turned in a heavy explosion shook the
city and it was said that four kegs of
powder stored in one of the big ware-
houses of the Southern Pacific had
blown up. Heavy timbers were whirled
through the air for blocks. These landed
on light frame buildings further
east and in a short time the firemen
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the professionals at the races at the
littersville half-mile track. He made
the mile with half a mile in 1:36.1, a
strong start, was won by Johnson in
1:38. Starbuck won the two mile
handicap in 4:54. Johnson the half-
mile open, flying start, in 1:06.4, and
the five mile handicap in 10:32.

IN READINESS FOR THE RACE.

New London is Crowded With People to
See the Race—The Revenue Cutter Dexter
to Patrol the Thames Today.New London, June 27.—Everything is
ready here for the great contest on
Thames between Yale and Harvard
crews to-morrow afternoon. If the
weather is favorable the race will be
rowed over the course between 5 and
6 o'clock. The city to-night has many
visitors who are in town for the race.
All the hotels are filled and the arrivals
from Cambridge came down on the
evening trains and went up to the Har-
vard quarters. Some of the Yale crew
made their headquarters to-night at the
Pequot house and the guests there gave
an entertainment and a dance. This
afternoon pleasure craft of all descrip-
tion began coming into the harbor and
dropped anchor. Several of the big
steamers of the New York Yacht club
went up the river this evening and
anchored in position to witness the
race to-morrow. At the Crocker house
which is the headquarters for the host-
ess of both crews, the betting was quite
lively on the race to-morrow. Yale was
the favorite, big odds being offered on
the blue.The board of trade held a meeting
this evening and gave final instructions
for preserving order on the river to-
morrow during the race. The revenue
cutter Dexter arrived in the harbor this
afternoon from the eastward, and to-
morrow will patrol the course, keeping
a small craft out of the course. The
usual arrangements have been made
this year for the accommodation of the
press representatives. The steamer
Manhattan has been provided by the
committee and will leave the wharf
near the Union station half an hour
before the start of the race.Sabbath Point, June 27.—Many
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THOSE WHO PASSED EXAMS.

PUPILS WHO WILL MAKE UP THE
INCOMING CLASS IN HILLHOUSE.One Hundred and Sixty-three Pupils Pass
the Entrance Examination to Hillhouse
High School Out of a Total of Two Hun-
dred and Eighty-four Who Tried—Names
of Those Who Reached a Ranking of
Seventy-five Per Cent. and Over—Those
Who Will Enter Boardman Manual
Training School.The following is the list of the names
of those pupils from the grammar and
other schools who have attained the
required 75 per cent. and above in exam-
inations held for entrance to Hillhouse
High School. It will be seen that 163
were successful. Two hundred and
eighty-four candidates tried the exami-
nations. The list is as follows, with
the general average of the pupils:From Dwight school—Arthur G. Bel-
den 77, Ethel Brooks 85, Julia W. Bright
83, Mabel G. Bright 78, Edna Bronson
76, Ethel S. Frisby 79, William L. Har-
mon 75, Annie B. Hendrick 76, Marie
Hoogkirk 81, Emily Hurd 78, Viola M.
Jones 78, Kathleen B. Keefe 78, Herbert
Leila Osborne 76, Lella M. Parkhurst 76,
Henry I. Root 88, Clara E. Sammis 79,
Roger A. Townsend 76, Vera Wright 89.Westville graded school—William J.
Canad 82, Myrtle Gorham 89, Carrie
Howard 82, Anna C. Euge 79,
Mabel H. Vaughan 78, May Wardell 85.Day school—Walter C. Chalker 84,
M. Estelle Leaton 84.
Eaton school—Frank M. Adams 81,
Yetta H. Adler 82, Carol F. Baker 81,
Harry E. Benham 80, Abraham Brown-
stein 79, Lena L. Cohn 81, Mary H. Col-
lins 83, Rosa A. Conlin 82, Harry L.
Galpin 83, Charles L. Hessler 82, Rosa-
lind Lewinson 83, Isabel Matheson 85,
George McIntyre 82, T. Elsie Pierce 85,
Raymond Ovington 78, Edna C. Roth-
child 80, Agnes M. Smith 84.St. Francis school—Suzie Backen 78,
Katie A. Brennan 80, Nellie Coleman 77,
Ella M. Connon 80, Thomas A. Fogarty
81, Bessie DeLacy 82, Edward Ledwith
85, Hugh J. Murphy 88.St. John's school—Jane H. Curran 79,
Thomas H. Curran 86, Frank Fahy 77,
Washington school—Timothy F. Barry
85, Christian R. Boyle 76, Annie M.
Cavanagh 75, Mary A. Joyce 83, William
Mitchell 78, May J. Mooney 78, Charles
Rourke 77.Welch school—Clarence E. Brookspher
79, Jennie E. Ehrlich 84, Katherine
V. Flanagan 80, Ida J. Levy 85, James
P. McDonough 86, Lillian M. Moran 77,
Arthur D. Mullen 80, Belle Richter 86,
Ruby J. Stevens 82, Jerry B. Sullivan
85, Bartholomew 85, Francis R. Wad-
hams 77.Winchester school—Lillie Butterworth
86, Sadie Butterworth 73, William J.
Farwell 78, Nellie Flynn 77, Paul Scott
80, Louis Nett 79, Agnes Scott 78,
Christion Sterling 76.Woodley school—John C. Andrews 84,
Frank Blakelee 82, Richard Carroll 79,
Walter Hugh Cochran 81, Frank Col-
lins 84, Sadie W. Cooper 80, Charlotte
G. Dunn 82, Laura Dillon 82, Nellie
E. Edmondson 85, Ray Fudge 81, Henry
Patrick Hart 85, Florence Heworth 82,
Clara M. Hughes 88, Jessie M. Jacobs
83, Alice Johnson 86, Ernest Johnson
79, John M. Knight 86, Ralph W. Lang-
ley 84, Nellie Matthy 78, Eva Miller 82,
Henry W. O'Brien 86, Marie A. O'Dea
80, George Poronto 80, Josie Powers 78,
Carrie Reilly 85, George Stevenson 80,
Maud M. Tufts 83, Grace Underwood 85.Wooster school—James Thomas Col-
lins 80, John Hamilton Grant 80,
Lovelace school—Edwin V. Allen 83,
Clara Brainerd 87, Anna Carroll 80,
Earnest Cliff 80, Maria Corbett 77,
Albert F. Doyle 81, Lida Duran 81,
Lillian Holbrook 81, George Hunter 76,
Ella Kraft 78, Edythe Lynham 76,
George F. Mayer 80, Bessie Manross 88,
Susie McWilliams 84, Elsie O'Keefe 83,
Harry Prindle 78, Clara J. Shanley 84,
Ella Smith 79, Marguerite Wells 82.Strong school—Made Adams 75, Fred-
erick Crosby 83, Mary E. Deagan 81,
Maud S. Kelly 81, Edith E. Morse 84,
Harry Noyes 81, Ruth W. Parker 80,
Alice B. Pond 75, Ethel F. Prince 77.Hamilton school—William Joseph Ber-
nigan 75, James R. Coffey 76, William
Joseph Downes 75, William Joseph Hal-
pin 79, George P. McMahon 77.Private schools—Grace P. Fuller 82,
Whetzel school—Allen 76, John Wil-
liam Armstrong 87, Helen L. Batson 80,
Sara E. Beecher 80, Fannie C. Bishop
75, Harriet F. Blakelee 77, Harriet R.
Butler 79, Edith A. Dole 76, Walter R.
Fields 77, Grace A. Leonard 84, Donald
B. MacLane 77, Anthony S. Spitznagel
78, Mary W. Weibel 76.

AT THE SCHOOLS.

Following is the program of class day
exercises at room No. 12 Washington
school:Piano Solo—Mollie Harkne.
Essay—Yellowstone Park—May Minor.
Declaration—Influence of the Character
of Washington—Thomas Mooney.Song—Live in Love—School.
Essay—Abraham Lincoln—Annie Cava-
nagh.Reading—Something Left Undone—Kit-
tie Shea.
Piano Solo—Sounds from the Ringing
Rock—May Mooney.Essay—Harriet Beecher Stowe—Etta
Poole.
Piano Solo—May Joyce.Essay—Washington Irving—Lizzie Kays-
nagh.
Reading—The Builders—Frank Wade.
Piano Solo—Auf Wiedersehn—May Mo-
oney.Essay—Yosemite Valley—Kittie Dunn.
Piano Solo—Mary Joyce.Essay—Longfellow—Gertie Mix.
Declaration—Constitution and Guer-
erre—Timothy Barry.Piano Solo—Mollie Harkne.
Essay—Nathan Hale—May Mooney.
Reading—At School Close—Nathalie
Gates.Class Poem—Emily Loebig.
Song—School.In room 12 of the Dwight place school
at 2:30 yesterday afternoon occurred the
annual class day exercises.The teacher, Miss Georgiana Norman,
has been ill for the past two weeks, but
with the aid of her able assistant, Miss
May Bowman, has made the prepara-
tions for class day as usual.Miss Norman has had a busy winter,
acting as principal during Mr. L. L.
Camp's long illness, but is happy in the
fact that forty-five out of forty-eight
of the pupils in room 12, of which she
is head teacher, have earned their dip-
omas. Thirty out of the number have
taken the high school examination and
passed them satisfactorily. The valedic-
torian of the class is Miss Ethel
Booth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
George Booth of Elm street. She is
but thirteen years of age and one of
the youngest members of the class. She
is also one of the number who have
passed the high school examinations
with success.

FAIR HAVEN PETITIONERS

PROPOSITION TO BUILD AN ELEC-
TRIC FREIGHT ROADThrough a Number of Fair Haven Streets—
The Project Strongly Advocated by Manu-
facturers and Others—Opposed by Some
of the Property Owners.At the meeting of the committee on
railroads and bridges last evening for
the purpose of considering the petition
of the Manufacturers' Street Railway
company for permission to construct an
electric freight railroad through a num-
ber of streets in Fair Haven all the
members of the committee were present
except Councilman Frisbie. The rail-
road company was represented by At-
torney James T. Moran, George S. Bar-
num of the Bigelow company, N. W.
Kendall of the Quinnipiac engineering com-
pany, S. J. Fox of the National Pipe
Bending company and a number of oth-
ers.Messrs. Barnum, Kendall and Fox
argued at considerable length in favor
of the petition, claiming that if the
road were established it would be a de-
cided advantage to the manufacturing
interests, especially of that section of
the city. They claimed that if the road
were built the expense of manufacture
would be reduced at least 25 per cent.,
and in this manner enabled to compete
with manufacturers whose factories are
on the line of railroads in other sections
of the country.It was also set forth that the estab-
lishment of the road would act as an
inducement to manufacturers to locate
in this section, as it would furnish fa-
cilities for moving freight more expedi-
tiously and at a cheaper rate. Other
manufacturers along the route of the
road are to be entitled to all the benefits
of the road, the same as the members of
the company themselves.S. L. Blatchley, the well known dealer
in real estate, also argued in favor of
the road. He said that in his opinion,
while the railroad tracks would cross a
portion of his property, it would be great
benefit to him in making his property
more valuable, and he was in favor of
the project. He also claimed that the
establishment of the road would prove
a decided benefit to the city and in par-
ticular to Fair Haven, as it would in-
duce manufacturers to locate there and
the land would be more valuable for
manufacturing sites than it is at present."We must have manufacturing in-
terests in order to make progress," said
he, "and therefore we must offer manu-
facturers at least as much inducement
as they can get elsewhere."A large number of the property own-
ers on the streets over and through
which the company desires to operate
its road strongly objected to the petition
on the ground that the road would seri-
ously damage their property and the
constant running of freight trains would
jeopardize both the lives and the limbs
of the residents of that section of the
city.In executive session the committee,
after deliberating over the subject for
over an hour, decided to table it until
a future meeting of the committee.BUILDING LINES ESTABLISHED.
The committee on building lines met
in the city hall last evening and estab-
lished nine-foot building lines on both
sides of Franklin street, between Grand
avenue and State street, and on the
building lines on Hazard street, be-
tween Dixwell avenue and Shelton ave-
nue.NOT MUCH DONE.
The Session of the Electionists was a Quiet
One.Boston, June 27.—The fourth day's
session of the National Association of
Electionists opened to-day with the
reading, by Secretary Trueblood, of
the report of the committee on colleges.
In the twelve leading colleges and uni-
versities of the east election and oratory
are taught in connection with Eng-
lish literature, logic and rhetoric, but
in a majority of the schools of the
country there are no separate depart-
ments of election and oratory. The
committee suggested that election is
suffering in public institutions from the
failure of instructors to command
the situation and hence secure for this
department the same consideration
shown to others.There is too much of the dramatic,
too much desire to show off the speaker,
regardless of the subject matter of his
oration. The report was adopted. "Dram-
atization as an Aid to Interpretation."
Then the convention devoted a half hour
to an informal discussion of the "Rela-
tion of status-posing, musically accom-
panied recitations and bird notes to the
art of election."P. Townsend Southwick of New York
read a paper on "The Neglected Trini-
ty," the Trinity being, as he explained,
the first person speaking, the second
person spoken to and the third person
spoken of.A discussion followed. The session
ended with a brief address on the prin-
ciples of rhetoric as applied to the
voice.Attendance Was Small.
Carbondale, Pa., June 27.—Owing to
the threatening weather this afternoon
the attendance was small at the na-
tional circuit race meet arranged by
the Carbondale Cycle club at Anthracite
Park.Tennis Match Continued.
Philadelphia, June 27.—The champion-
ship tennis tournament was continued
at Wissahickon Heights to-day. The at-
tendance was fully as large as on the
previous days. Miss Hellwig and Miss
Julie Atkinson played part of an in-
teresting match with Miss Beale
Moore, who is looked upon by many
as the coming champion, and Miss Wil-
liams. At the end of the first set the
score stood in favor of Miss Hellwig
and her partner, when a thunder shower
interfered and the game had to be
postponed.

GOOD TENNIS WORK.

It Was Apparent That the Americans Hit
Harder Than the Others.Newton, Mass., June 27.—In the first
set of the doubles this afternoon be-
tween Hovey and Hobart on the one
side and Pim and Mahoney on the
other, these things were apparent—that
the Americans hit harder, lobbed to
better advantage in forcing back their
opponents from the net and, lastly,
that our net game is far stronger than
the British game, at least for doubles.
According to our ideas, moreover, the
positions taken by the Irishmen were
wrong, for they stood in the same
places, whether they were the servers
or the strikers-out. Hobart and Hovey
gained the net at every chance and
generally found a good chance to smash
cross court or down the alleys. Of
these two Hobart gained the greater
number of places. Pim showed great
cleverness, at times, in returning some
of Hobart's drives that the latter seem-
ed to think clean passes and Mahoney
was skillful in accurate passes. The
set by points:First set: Hovey and Hobart—4, 3, 6,
2, 4, 5, 3, 4, 1, 4, 4—43 points, 7 games.
Pim and Mahoney—2, 5, 4, 5, 1, 3,
1, 4, 1, 1—38 points, 5 games.The Americans took the first four
games of the second set by clever work
in placing hard between their oppo-
nents, who however, forced them to
hit into the net or out by well judg-
ed placing of ground strokes. Hovey did
some great work in smashing in the
seventh. A last attempt to brace gave
the Irishmen the next two games, but
Hovey and Hobart easily won the set
by taking the tenth by splendid work
at the net. The points were:Second set: Hovey and Hobart—4, 4,
4, 1, 4, 2, 1, 4—42 points, 6 games.
Pim and Mahoney—1, 2, 0, 1, 4, 6, 2, 4,
1—25 points, 4 games.Only two games of the seven played
in the third set were vintage games,
and of these the British champions only
took one.Any attempt by them to gain the net
was stopped by fine lobbing on the part
of the Americans, who pounded all re-
turns even harder than ever. Hobart
had greater accuracy with his ground
strokes than ever before, and Hovey's
smashing proved very effective in set-
tling points. The points were:Third set: Hovey and Hobart—4, 10,
4, 4, 3, 4—33 points, 8 games.
Pim and Mahoney—1, 8, 2, 2, 5, 10—
30 points, 8 games.The Chase-Larned match was started
in the rain and finally had to be stop-
ped in the middle of the second set,
the downpour was so great. The whole
of the contest played was a regular fizzle
from a spectator's point of view. Chase
made the games very tedious by con-
tinual lob, until Larned would make
a net or an out. Chase won the first
set, 6-0, with the points 24 to 9. The
second set as far as played was 3-2,
Chase leading. All unfinished matches
are to be played on Saturday.ANOTHER INJUNCTION
Brought Against the New Haven Street
Railway Regarding Its Morris Cove
Branch Extension.The Morris Cove branch of the New
Haven Street Railroad company seems
favored in the injunction line. Another
injunction has just been obtained
against it. This time the injunction is
to restrain the company from contin-
uing its work, now in progress, of ex-
tending its line to the Lighthouse.The injunction was brought by John I. Good-
rich, the well known ex-member of
the board of selectmen. He is the own-
er of property facing the street through
which the extension is being made.
Mr. Goodrich has no ill will to the rail-
road company, nor is he opposed to the
extension of the line to the Lighthouse,
but is on the contrary in favor of hav-
ing the line extended, as it will be an
advantage to his property, but the rea-
son of the move for the injunction is
his opposition and that of various other
land owners to having the street made
sixty feet in width. He is perfectly
willing to have the street fifty feet wide,
but not one of sixty, as a street of that
width would, he claims, be detrimental
to his property.The injunction is brought to decide
the question, and is brought against
the company, as it is setting its poles on
the disputed strip.The time for the hearing on the in-
junction is named for the second Tues-
day in September. Meanwhile the rail-
road company will probably have to
stop all work on the extension until a
hearing takes place and the 100 or more
Italian laborers who have been employ-
ed on the grading of the road for the
past three weeks will be out of a job,
together with the track layers. The
company has been pushing the work
forward with its customary enterprise,
and has already completed the exten-
sion of the road with four tracks from
the Forbes house, the present terminus
of the line, to near the old Morris stone
house.SALTONSTALL LAKE PARK.
Bought It Now, Reliably Stated in Behalf
of the New Haven Water Company.A report in circulation last night, and
which is credited by some of our most
prominent citizens who heard it, is that
the purchase of Saltonstall Lake park,
of which the "Journal and Courier"
gave the first news to the public Wed-
nesday morning, is in the interest and
in behalf of the New Haven Water com-
pany, who are the real purchasers. The
report is given on excellent authority
and there is good reason to believe that
it is correct, as the Water company has
a vital interest in having possession of
the lake and its surroundings, and such
a purchase as the one in question would
be in the interest also of maintaining
the purity of the water and preventing
it from being contaminated by being
used extensively for pleasure purposes.

THEY CAME NEAR TO A RIOT

FIGHT IN KENTUCKY'S CONVENTION
ON THE SECRETARY.At One Time It Looked as Though the Pro-
ceedings Would End in a Riot—The Other
Contests Were Very Uninteresting With
One Exception.Louisville, June 27.—The democratic
state convention re-assembled at 3:30
this morning, and was in continuous
session until 7:30 p. m., when it ad-
journed sine die. The day was spent
in choosing the minor candidates on the
state ticket. The ticket as completed is
as follows: For governor, P. Watt
Hardin; for lieutenant governor, R. T.
Tyler; for treasurer, R. C. Ford; for au-
ditor, L. C. Norman; for register of the
land office, G. B. Swango; for attorney
general, W. J. Hendrick; for secretary
of state, Henry S. Hale; for superin-
tendent of public instruction, Edward
Foster Thompson; for commissioner of
agriculture, Ion B. Hall.The convention came near ending in
a riot this afternoon, during the pro-
gress of a bitter contest between the
candidates for the nomination of sec-
retary of state.The candidates for the nomination
Henry S. Hale, the present incumbent;
John W. Hendley, J. Stoddard Johnson,
and C. W. Metcalfe. Each had a large
following, and four ballots were taken
before there was any result.During the progress of the third bal-
lot Delegate C. P. Taylor denounced
Chairman Berry for alleged unfairness,
winding up with a round cursing. This
was the beginning of a scene of wild
disorder. Every delegate was on his
feet and crowding toward the platform,
where the chairman sat. Candidates
Hale and Metcalfe leaped upon the
stage, and a dozen others followed, and
for a while the scene was a chaotic
order was finally restored by the
chairman agreeing to have another call
of the roll for the fourth ballot, before
allowing counties to change their votes.
The final ballot resulted in favor of
Hale.The other contests were uninteresting
with the exception of that for register
of the land office, which took three bal-
lots to decide—the present holder of
the office being nominated. Auditor
Norman and Attorney General Hen-
drick were also renominated. A slate
made up by the Hardin men was
emailed in two instances, but seven
out of nine offices were filled according
to the desires of those who nominated
the free silver man for governor.The following resolution proposed by
Mrs. James Bennett of Richmond, a
prominent member